

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 5, line 24, with the following amended paragraph:

Although a preferred embodiment has been described here above, it will be appreciated that the invention may be implemented also in a number of different forms and variants without departing from the scope as defined by the appended claims. In particular, the increase of the moment of inertia without increasing the thickness of the shell can be obtained with ~~a different pattern than~~ the ribs of the protruding elements in selected ~~location~~ locations of the interfacing surface of the layer made of materials with higher mechanical properties.